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Atty. Dkt. No. 070191-0190 (15-XT-5197)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Lounsberry et al.

Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR ASSOCIATING A FIELD  
REPLACEABLE UNIT WITH A  
MEDICAL DIAGNOSTIC  
SYSTEM AND RECORDING  
OPERATIONAL DATA

Appl. No.: 09/450,264

Appl. Filing Date: 11/29/1999

Examiner: Lau, Tung S.

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**TRANSMITTAL**

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Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)

a. Previously submitted:

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- ☐ Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on \_\_ but not considered.
- ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on \_\_.
- ☐ Other \_\_.
- b. Enclosed are:
- ☐ Amendment/Reply.
- ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☐ Form PTO-1449 with copies of \_\_ listed reference(s).
- ☐ Other .

Miscellaneous:

- ☐ Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_ months.

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Total Claims:	23	- 23	= 0	x \$50.00	= \$0.00
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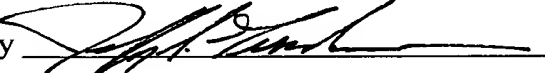
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Respectfully submitted,

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